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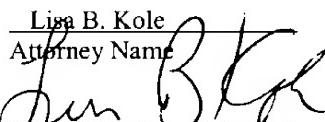
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No. : 09/515,363 Examiner : Loeb, B.
Filed : February 29, 2000 Group Art Unit: 1636
For : MELANOMA DIFFERENTIATION ASSOCIATED GENE-5
AND PROMOTER AND USES THEREOF

**PETITION TO REVIVE APPLICATION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)**

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition to revive the above-identified patent application in accordance with the provisions of 37 U.S.C. §1.137(b) as the abandonment was unintentional, and enclose herewith the required response and fee, as discussed below.

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The present application became abandoned for inadvertent failure to respond to an Official Action mailed on February 20, 2002. Due to a docketing error made by Baker Botts, the August 20, 2002 deadline to respond to the Official Action was unintentionally passed. Having realized the error, Attorneys for Applicants promptly submit, herewith, the enclosed Amendment and Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. The entire delay in filing the Amendment in response to the Office Action from the due date of August 20, 2002 until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 U.S.C. §1.137 was unintentional. At no time did Applicants or attorneys for Applicants intend to abandon the above-captioned application.

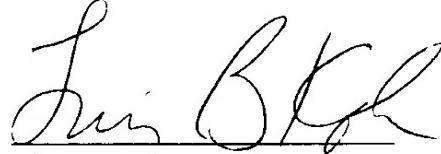
Accompanying this letter are: (1) an Amendment in reply to the Official Action dated February 20, 2002; (2) a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time to respond to the Office Action; (3) a check for \$1100.00 representing the \$460.00 fee for a requested three-month extension of time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) for a small entity in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a) and the \$640.00 petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m) for a small entity in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a).

Applicants respectfully request that (i) this promptly filed petition to revive the above-captioned application in accordance with 37 U.S.C. §1.137(b) be granted, (ii) that this revived application be accorded the benefit of its filing date to be deemed pending as of August 20, 2002; and (iii) that the revived application be allowed to continue prosecution.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4377. Two copies of this page are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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